


Texas Interagency Coordination Center

Situation Report

for fires occurring August 24 - 27, 2000


 T E X A S FOREST SERVICE <small>The Texas A&M University System</small>	Texas Forest Service	Fires	Acres	YTD Totals	
				Fires	Acres
	<u>East Texas Zone:</u>				
	Linden	15	151	289	4,301
	Henderson	28	492	404	6,207
	Woodville	14	304	591	12,342
	Conroe	20	114	323	6,295
	Sub Total:	77	1,061	1,607	29,145
	<u>West Texas Zone:</u>				
	West Texas	0	0	7	57,040
	High Plains	0	0	30	46,682
	Rolling Plains	0	0	44	6,865
	Hill Country	0	0	30	7,970
	South Texas	0	0	8	11,320
	Central Texas	4	117	74	2,940
	North Texas	2	400	15	2,046
	Sub Total:	6	517	208	134,863
	Totals:	83	1,578	1,815	164,008


Comments:


Following is the significant activity to which TFS and cooperator resources responded since Thursday:


- East Texas units responded to 77 fires for 1061 acres.
- Resources from the Granbury Staging area responded to two large fires on Friday. The largest was the 290-acre Doc's Fire in Palo Pinto Co. National Guard helicopters and the single-engine airtanker were instrumental in helping to contain this inaccessible fire. Also, the Jacksboro Fire scorched 150 acres in Jack Co. TFS supervisors provided expertise in managing the fire, and also used the SEAT for water drops.
- Saturday, RFC Carly Pearson responded with the National Guard helicopters from Grand Prairie and suppressed a 105-acre fire in Hill Co. The fire was in the middle of several subdivisions and threatened more than 200 homes. A FEMA declaration was granted due to the immediate threat posed to the houses.
- Sunday, Clint Cross and the National Guard Blackhawks out of Austin, managed a 450-acre fire in Blanco Co. The fire was inaccessible and burning very actively into last evening. Five homes were immediately threatened but none was lost.
- The FEMA-declared Chicken Complex Fire was contained at 1800 acres Friday evening. The fire is not expected to be controlled for several more days due to active burning within the perimeter.

Fire activity is expected to elevate during the next week, as dry, windy periods are expected throughout much of the state. Twelve National Guard helicopters are on standby. Since August 1, those helicopters have dropped close to two million gallons of water.

	Rural Fire Departments	Fires	Acres	YTD Totals	
				Fires	Acres
	<u>East Texas Zone:</u>	163	278	1,055	990
	<u>West Texas Zone:</u>				
	West Texas	11	1	14	57
	High Plains	0	0	7	105
	Rolling Plains	6	167	40	2,829
	Hill Country	56	312	133	1,804
	South Texas	44	899	293	14,708
	Central Texas	61	511	188	1,161
	North Texas	119	3,338	325	5,398
	Sub Total:	460	5,506	2,048	27,052

	US Fish & Wildlife Service	Fires	Acres	YTD Totals	
				Fires	Acres
	Anahuac NWR	0	0	5	780
	Aransas NWR	0	0	1	289
	Attwater Prairie Chicken NWR	0	0		
	Balcones Canyonlands NWR	0	0	2	2
	Brazoria NWR	0	0	3	878
	Hagerman NWR	0	0		
	McFaddin NWR	0	0	7	52
	Lower Rio Grande Valley NWR	0	0	15	1,877
	San Bernard NWR	0	0	2	1,075
	Santa Anna NWR	0	0		
	Totals:			35	4,953
	Off-Refuge Assists	0	0	2	225

	National Forests & Grasslands	Fires	Acres	YTD Totals	
				Fires	Acres
	Angelina NF			17	173
	Davy Crockett NF	1	11	9	104
	Sabine NF			6	91
	Sam Houston NF			12	401
	Caddo LBJ Grasslands			3	4
	Totals:	1	11	47	773

	National Park Service	Fires	Acres	YTD Totals	
				Fires	Acres
	Big Thicket National Preserve			4	705
	Padre Island Nat'l Seashore			1	300
	Palo Alto Battlefield NHS			9	55
	Totals:			14	1,060